Dewan's reply.—Sayer cannot be revived as of old. Inamdars in Mysore are allowed to enjoy items of revenue, which elsewhere they do not, but such enjoyment is subject to the condition that the items should be given up when Government abolish them throughout the State. Such abolition cannot by itself give a right to claim reduction of jodi, but individual cases of hardship will of course be considered.

Subject No. 196.

A channel required from Arkavati to Kanva River.

Summary of discussion.—Opening of a channel from Arkavati to Kanva River would feed all tanks in Channapatna Range and increase water-supply.

Dewan's reply.—A channel from Arkavati to Kanva is impracticable on ordinary Engineering grounds. A tank across the Arkavati is under consideration.

Subject No. 197.

Excessive reservation of State Forests in Closepet Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Too many and too large an area of District Forests have been demarcated as State Forests. The raiyats are put to much inconvenience thereby.

Gontakal, Ranedevarabetta, Marigudda, Begur and Makali, Jungles, are examples.

In some cases the boundary is too near villages.

Note.—Mr. Namkal Rao who was till recently Sub-Division officer at Closepet stated on being asked that in his opinion the complaint was reasonable.

Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioner will be directed to look into this matter and arrange for demarcation so as to leave sufficient District Jungle for the people. But there is great reason to fear that by these free allotments for raiyats' uses, forests will soon be denuded of trees.

Subject No. 198.

Exemption from House Tax of mendicants and destitute women in Municipalities.

Summary of discussion.—In Municipal towns, mendicants and destitute women ought to be exempted from Mohatarfa house-tax.

Dewan's reply.—Municipal Boards have discretion and power to exempt in such cases which, it is believed, are all cases of Katcha huts.

Subject No. 199.

Re-arrangement of Hoblis and constitution of Channapatna Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The three Hoblis of Honganur, Virupakshipur and Maklé of Closepet Taluk may be added to the Channapatna Range and the same constituted into a Taluk with Channapatna as its Head-quarters ; Closepet may then be made a Sub-Taluk with the remaining hoblies.

Dewan's reply.—The present arrangement was made after consulting local interests. Any representation to the contrary from the inhabitants of the Hoblis named will receive due consideration; but it would be impossible to act on representations from those not prejudicially affected by the change.